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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, copies of the references listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

The Examiner is kindly requested to consider these references during the examination of the above-identified application, making the references of record, and to return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form to the below-signed agent.

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